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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 13676.142

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Richard L. Bonkowski et al.

Serial No.: 09/351,102

Filed: July 8, 1999

For: DIFFRACTIVE SURFACES WITH COLOR
SHIFTING BACKGROUNDS

Examiner: Alicia Chevalier

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is an Information Disclosure Statement.

37 CFR 1.97 (b)

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37 CFR 1.97 (c)

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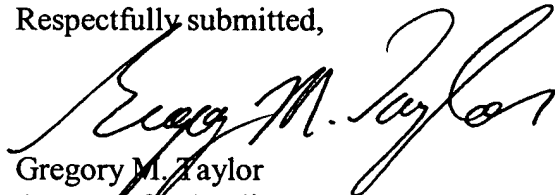
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- ☐ The fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) for submission of an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(c).
- ☒ Form PTO-1449 listing eight (8) references submitted for consideration.
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Dated this 15th day of August 2002.

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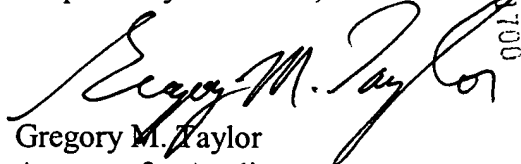
Sir:

I hereby certify that the following documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the 15th day of August 2002.

- Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement
- Form PTO-1449 listing 8 references
- Copies of 8 references
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

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Sir:

Please find, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1), the enclosed Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c). While no representation is made that any of these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed list of references is disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, a copy of each of the listed references or relevant portion thereof is also enclosed.

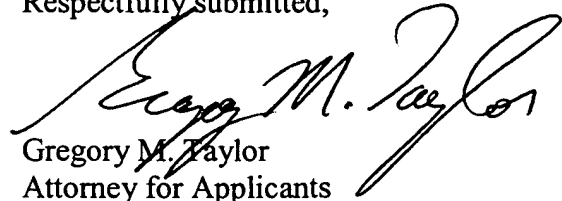
Statement of Relevance of References Listed Unaccompanied
By English Translation Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3), the following concise explanation of the relevance of each listed reference that is not in the English language and unaccompanied by a translation into English is provided.

German Application No. DE 43 43 387 A1 published June 29, 1995 discloses visually identifiable optical security markers that have at least two sections which can be identified with the naked eye, and appear as differently structured. The structure in some sections is such that when the viewing direction or illumination direction is changed, so does the optical appearance. The sections are structured so that for an observer, independently of his observation angle, adjacent sections have a clearly contrasting appearance. Each section is uniform in itself. At least one section has a light-diffracting structure with a defined color change when the observation or illumination angle changes.

Dated this 1st day of August 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory M. Taylor". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and a stylized "T".

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